House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 44 public bills, H.R. 4012–4055; 1 private bill, H.R. 4056; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 264–266; and H. Res. 486–490, were introduced. Pages H8807–09

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: S. 1339, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994 (Rept. 109–246).

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. Henry Holley, Director of Asian Affairs, Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, Marietta, Georgia.

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Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 348 yeas to 63 nays, Roll No. 516. Pages H8737, H8749–50

Permitting individuals to be admitted to the Hall of the House in order to obtain footage of the House in session for inclusion in the orientation film to be shown to visitors at the Capitol Visitor Center—Order of Business: The House agreed that (1) it shall be in order at any time to consider H. Res. 480, permitting individuals to be admitted to the Hall of the House in order to obtain footage of the House in session for inclusion in the orientation film to be shown to visitors at the Capitol Visitor Center; (2) the resolution be considered as read; (3) the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution to its adoption without intervening motion except ten minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Rules.

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Permitting individuals to be admitted to the Hall of the House in order to obtain footage of the House in session for inclusion in the orientation film to be shown to visitors at the Capitol Visitor Center: The House agreed to H. Res. 480, to permit individuals to be admitted to the Hall of the House in order to obtain footage of the House in session for inclusion in the orientation film to be shown to visitors at the Capitol Visitor Center, with no objections.

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Gasoline for America's Security Act of 2005: The House passed H.R. 3893, to expedite the construction of new refining capacity in the United States, to provide reliable and affordable energy for the American people (by a recorded vote of 212 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 519).

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Rejected the Bishop motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments (by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 222 noes, Roll No. 518). Pages H8788–91

Pursuant to the rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce, now printed in the bill and modified by the amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 109–245, shall be considered as adopted.

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Rejected:

Stupak amendment in the nature of a substitute (printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–245) that sought to give explicit authority to the FTC to define price gouging. It preserves the FTC's existing civil penalty authority and authorizes new civil penalties of up to three times the amount of unjust profits gained by companies who engage in price gouging. It also increases our nation's refinery capacity by establishing a federal Strategic Refinery Reserve which would build upon the success of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) by creating a natural extension of the SPR—a refinery reserve (by a recorded vote of 199 ayes to 222 noes, Roll No. 517). Pages H8778–88

H. Res. 481, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote 216 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 515, after agreeing to order the previous question without objection.

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Agreed by unanimous consent that H. Res. 481 be considered as amended by striking the number 3983 and inserting in lieu thereof the number 3893 in the text.

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read "Providing for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 3893) to expedite the construction of new refining capacity in the United States, to provide reliable and affordable energy for the American people, and for other purposes."

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Thursday, October 6:

Honoring the life and work of Simon Wiesenthal and reaffirming the commitment of Congress to the fight against anti-Semitism and intolerance in all forms, in all forums, and in all nations: H. Con. Res. 248, to honor the life and work of Simon Wiesenthal and reaffirming the commitment of Congress to the fight against anti-Semitism and intolerance in all forms, in all forums, and